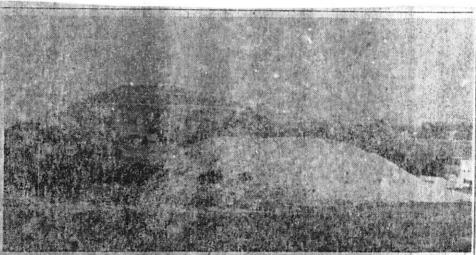
HOT POTS Cones of extinct geysers dot the region near Heber Ciry-are used as swim resorts.



when the U. S. government was so engrossed with the Civil War as to be unable to send military aid. Although most of the fighting occurred in the Provo area, the burden of holding in check the nearby Uintah Indians under Chief Tabiona fell entirely upon the Wasatch County militia.

Chief Blackhawk, in planning his uprising, had counted heavily upon the Uintahs to carry death and destruction to the upper valley settlements. When the settler's militant defense limited the Uintah activities to a series of raids and upeace was concluded with Chief Tabiona, the backbone of the Blackhawk War was broken. Constant military preparedness, however, was maintained by the Heber militia until the final defeat of Blackhawk in 1868.

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rived, he knew his cause was lost but he stood in the legisla-tive chamber and hurled his de-fiance in a few quietly spoken

words.

"Wasatch County," he said,
"takes what comfort it may in
the fact that it, like the Savior,
has been crucified between two

A sentence as epochal as Bryan's 'Cross of Gold'! It took the listeners by storm and cryssentence talized a new sense of fairness and justice in the lawmakers. Wasatch County's lines remained unchanged.

tensive area of petrified wood deposits, fine in texture and rich in colorations to delight the col-lector and lapidarist.

HEBER CITY IS RECOGNIZ-ED as a community of attractive, comfortable homes. Its business ED as a community of attractive, comfortable homes. Its business district, characterized with modern stores, cafes, motels and mercantile establishments, is one worthy of a much larger town and bespeaks the extensive area it serves. Like most American towns, Heber is currently in the grip of growing pains. It has a definite housing shortage and has outgrown many of its public utilities. Under the leadership of its newly elected mayor, Maron R. Hyatt, the community is taking aggressive steps to overcome these shortcomings.

Eunds have been made available for the building of a new power plant on Snake Creek above Midway to augment the output of electricity from the municipal plant on the Provo. A modern firehall is also to be built this year. Anticipating further growth and expansion, a survey of sewer and water system development is being made.

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CARRYING ON THE FINE traditions of the past, the Heber Valley is plessed with an enviable group of young people who are dedicating their youth and enthusiasm to civic progress and development. Ask any dozen of these youth picked at random and they will tell you that there is no place like Heber in which to live—and they'll do it in such a way that you'll wonder if you are not missing something by living elsewhere.

Paralleling these activities, Heber has an active and progressive Lions Club, the Heber Valley Riding Club, the Wasatch Wild Life Association and many other groups that contribute their part toward making Heber tick. The annual three-day county fair attracts visitors from great distances. The Heber High School is recognized and feared throughout the state whether in athletics, debating, public speaking or other scholastic competitions. The support given these projects and activities makes Heber City a poor place in which to retire—if you are under 80.

THE HOMESTEAD

The Homestead is of historical value because it was one of the first resorts in Midway. It was known first as "Schneitters Hot Pots". Mr. Schneitter was an eastern man who came here and introduced etiquette and mannerisms that were little known in Midway. People enjoyed nice bath facilities and good home cooked meals there.

The Hot Pots themselves were very interesting. Before there were any buildings there, the boys used to climb the cone and use a rope ladder to go down and swim in the hot water. However, that was really a very dangerous situation, for if for some reason the rope couldn't be reclaimed, there was no way out.

Mr. Schneitter originally built the Virginia House, and since, under different owners, it has been remodeled and new cabins and the Hotel with dining rooms and other facilities were added.



The Homestead



The Virginia House at Schneitters Hot Pots